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St. Croix, et al.

Application No. 10/519,805

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DECISION GRANTING PETITIONS

Filed: December 29, 2004

UNDER 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) AND (a)(6)

Attorney Docket No. 001107.00527

This is a decision on the second renewed petition under 37 CFR §§ 1.78(a)(3) and 1.78(a)(6), filed May 13, 2009, to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 119(e) for the benefit of priority to the prior-filed nonprovisional and provisional applications set forth in the concurrently filed supplemental ADS.

# The petition is **GRANTED**

A petition for acceptance of a claim for late priority under 37 CFR §§ 1.78(a)(3) and 1.78(a)(6) is only applicable to those applications filed on or after November 29, 2000 and after the expiration of the period specified in 37 CFR §§ 1.78(a)(2)(ii) and 1.78(a)(5)(ii). In addition, the petition under 37 CFR §§ 1.78(a)(3) and 1.78(a)(6) must be accompanied by:

- the reference required by 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 119(e) and 37 CFR §§ 1.78(a)(2)(i) and 1.78(a)(5)(i) of the prior-filed application, unless previously submitted;
- (2) the surcharge set forth in  $\S 1.17(t)$ ; and
- a statement that the entire delay between the date the claim was due under 37 CFR §§ 1.78(a)(2)(ii) and 1.78(a)(5)(ii) and the date the claim was filed was unintentional. The Director may require additional where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional.

Additionally, the instant nonprovisional application must be pending at the time of filing of the reference to the prior-filed provisional applications, as required by 37 CFR 1.78(a)(5)(ii). Further, a nonprovisional application claiming the benefit of the prior-filed provisional applications must have been filed within twelve months of the filing date of the prior-filed provisional applications.

All the above requirements having been satisfied, the late claim for benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 119(e) is accepted as being unintentionally delayed.

The granting of the petition to accept the delayed benefit claim to the prior-filed applications under 37 CFR §§ 1.78(a)(3) and 1.78(a)(6) should not be construed as meaning that this application is entitled to the benefit of the filing date of the prior-filed applications. In order for this application to be entitled to the benefit of the prior-filed applications, all other requirements under 35 U.S.C. §§120 and 1.78(a)(1) and (a)(2) and under 35 U.S.C. §§119(e) and 37 CFR 1.78(a)(4) and (a)(5) must be met. Similarly, the fact that the corrected Filing Receipt accompanying this decision on petition includes the prior-filed applications should not be construed as meaning that applicant is entitled to the claim for benefit of priority to the prior-filed applications noted thereon. Accordingly, the examiner will, in due course, consider this benefit claim and determine whether the application is entitled to the benefit of the earlier filing date.

A corrected Filing Receipt, which includes the priority claim to the prior-filed applications, accompanies this decision on petition.

Any questions concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3230. All other inquiries concerning either the examination procedures or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 1643 for consideration by the examiner of the claim under 35 U.S.C. § §120 and 119(e) of the prior-filed nonprovisional and provisional applications.

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**ATTACHMENT**: Corrected Filing Receipt



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Date Mailed: 06/01/2009

Receipt is acknowledged of this non-provisional patent application. The application will be taken up for examination in due course. Applicant will be notified as to the results of the examination. Any correspondence concerning the application must include the following identification information: the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please submit a written request for a Filing Receipt Correction. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections

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# Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/US03/16250 07/02/2003 which claims benefit of 60/393,023 07/02/2002 and claims benefit of 60/458,964 04/01/2003 This application 10/519,805 is a CIP of 09/918,715 08/01/2001 PAT 7,402,660 which claims benefit of 60/222,599 08/02/2000 and claims benefit of 60/224,360 08/11/2000 and claims benefit of 60/282,850 04/11/2001

### **Foreign Applications**

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 01/30/2007

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention,

is **US 10/519,805** 

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#### Title

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## **Preliminary Class**

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